

ThistleWrap Pipe Repair Tape

ThistleBond 'ThistleWrap Pipe Repair Tape' is a high performance rapid curing moisture activated repair bandage, specifically developed for the repair of leaking pipes.

ThistleBond 'ThistleWrap Pipe Repair Tape' is a specially selected woven polyester fabric impregnated with a polyurethane resin, which is activated by immersion in water.

ThistleBond 'ThistleWrap Pipe Repair Tape' is ideal for pipe repairs to low pressure systems. As a general guide, a repair built up to a thickness of approximately 12mm (½") will withstand a maximum service pressure of 10 bar (150 psi). Higher pressures, up to 50 bar, can be achieved by first applying a 'plug' of **ThistleBond 'PlasSteel'** over the leak.

Pipes up to a nominal diameter of 65mm may be repaired using **ThistleBond 'ThistleWrap Pipe Repair Tape'** with holes approximately 3mm to 6mm diameter, although slightly larger pipes and holes can be effectively repaired using a plug of putty as described herein, always at users discretion.

ThistleBond 'Thistlewrap Pipe Repair Tape' is simple, safe and easy to use, and when activated by immersion in water is ideal for the repair of pipes on all types of surfaces.

Before proceeding, please read the following information carefully to ensure that the correct application procedure is fully understood.

SURFACE PREPARATION

All pressure within the pipe should be released. For leaks where pressure cannot be removed, holes should be stopped using a pipe repair clamp.

Remove all oil, grease, loose rust scale, sealant tape and paint from the repair area. Rough score a 10 cm (4 inch) patch around the pipe centering on the leak site.

If the pipe surface is pitted by rust, surfaces must be wire brushed to remove the loose scale. If the surface is smooth, as with copper or stainless steel, surfaces should be roughened with a coarse file, rasp or saw blade.

For plastic pipe, the external mould release must be removed. Abrade surfaces with a coarse grit sandpaper. A saw blade may also be used to create a cross hatch pattern. This is particularly useful on polypropylene and PVDF piping.

APPLICATION

During mixing and during application, lightweight disposable gloves should be worn to protect the hands.

ThistleBond 'ThistleWrap Pipe Repair Tape' is a single component material which should be immersed in water and squeezed two or three times for about 5 seconds prior to use.

Remove roll from water and wrap quickly and tightly as follows.

Centre tape over leak site, wrap from bottom of roll, pulling firmly throughout application. After 5-7 plies, resin foam will come through the tape, which is desirable and aided by pulling tightly. Continue until entire roll is applied, building to a minimum thickness of ½ inch (12 mm), use a second roll if necessary. Firmly press and smooth end of roll into wrap in the direction of application. Wet gloves in water, smooth and firmly press the wet resin back into the wrap.

When used in conjunction with a plug of **ThistleBond 'PlasSteel'** repeat the above instructions but having first plugged the hole. Knead a small bead of putty in gloved hand and flatten into a disc centrally over the hole pressing gently and feathering out the edges. Leave to semi-harden (full cure 30 minutes) before applying tape, although tape may be applied immediately if necessary.

KEEP HANDS MOVING QUICKLY AND WET GLOVES FREQUENTLY TO AVOID STICKING.

Continue rapid hand movement pressing and polishing resin in motions around and parallel to the pipe. Continue process until resins are no longer tacky. The repair should now have a smooth, hard surface and an enamel-like appearance with no fabric protruding through the surface.

After application dispose of gloves.

NOTE: If a thicker application is needed, spend a little less time finishing the first roll and immediately begin the application of the next. Finish the final roll as if a single roll application.

PHYSICAL CONSTANTS

Mixing Ratio	Supplied ready for use.	
Appearance	Resin impregnated bandage.	
Drying & Cure Times at 20°C (68°F)	Usable Life	2-3 minutes
	Initial Set	5 minutes
	Full Mechanical Strength	30 minutes
Volume Solids	100%	
V.O.C.	Nil	
Shelf Life	Use within 12 months of purchase. Store in original sealed containers at temperatures between 5°C (40°F) and 30°C (86°F).	
Potable Water	Water Regulations Advisory Scheme - Approved product.	

PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

Flexural Strength ASTMD790	32 N/mm ² (4640 psi)
Tensile Strength ASTMD6382	19 N/mm ² (2755 psi)
Hardness (Shore D) ASTMD2240	82
Adhesion (Bond Strength)	14 N/mm ² (2000 psi)
Maximum Heat Resistance	270°C (500°F)
Maximum Service Pressure (½ inch/12 mm thick repair)	10 bar (150 psi)
(1 inch/25 mm thick repair)	27.5 bar (400 psi)

HEALTH AND SAFETY

As long as normal good practice is observed **ThistleBond 'ThistleWrap Pipe Repair Tape'** can be safely used.

Keep skin contact to a minimum. Use disposable gloves. Wash off areas of contact with soap and water.

A fully detailed **Material Safety Data Sheet** is either included with the material or is available on request.

PACKAGING

Supplied as a rolled bandage in an air tight sachet in the following 4 sizes:

TRK19601 -	50mm x 1.5 metres
TRK19603 -	50mm x 3.6 metres
TRK19604 -	75mm x 3.6 metres
TRK19605 -	100mm x 3.6 metres

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